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Honorable David A. Levy House of Representatives 116 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Congressman Levy:

This is in reply to your letter of February 17, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituents are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituents' concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the <u>Notice</u>, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your constituents' letters will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely

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Enclosures

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February 17, 1993

The Honorable James Quello Acting Chairman Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Commissioner Quello:

I have been alerted by one of my constituents to your agency's planned massive frequency restructuring as announced in a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (PR Document 92-235). I would like to enter my constituent's concerns about this restructuring into the record as formal commentary.

If the FCC splits existing land mobile frequencies into narrower bands and rearranges the band plan, the narrowing of the space between land mobile frequencies and radio control frequencies will lead to interference between the frequencies. Such interference would be a safety hazard, as well as a great inconvenience to users of both frequency classifications.

Additionally, if the application of the new rules reduces the 50 frequencies currently available as radio control frequencies to 19, a great deal of radio controlled equipment will be rendered unusable. This will lead to a financial loss-for radio control enthusiasts, particularly retirees on fixed incomes who have invested much time and money in their avocation.

Thank you in advance for entering my constituent's concerns into the record as formal commentary. I would greatly appreciate it if you could acknowledge this correspondence in the near future, so that I can reassure my constituent that the FCC has heard his concerns.

Sincerely,

David A. Levy

Member of Congress

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